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Bison Buffalo Mavs: Season Over for NCC Champs

Mavs Win First Gridiron Playoff Game since 1984

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Staff Writer

No. 4 UNO defeated No. 12 Pittsburg State 14-3 to advance to the quarterfinals in the Division II Playoffs on Nov. 18 at Al Caniglia Field.

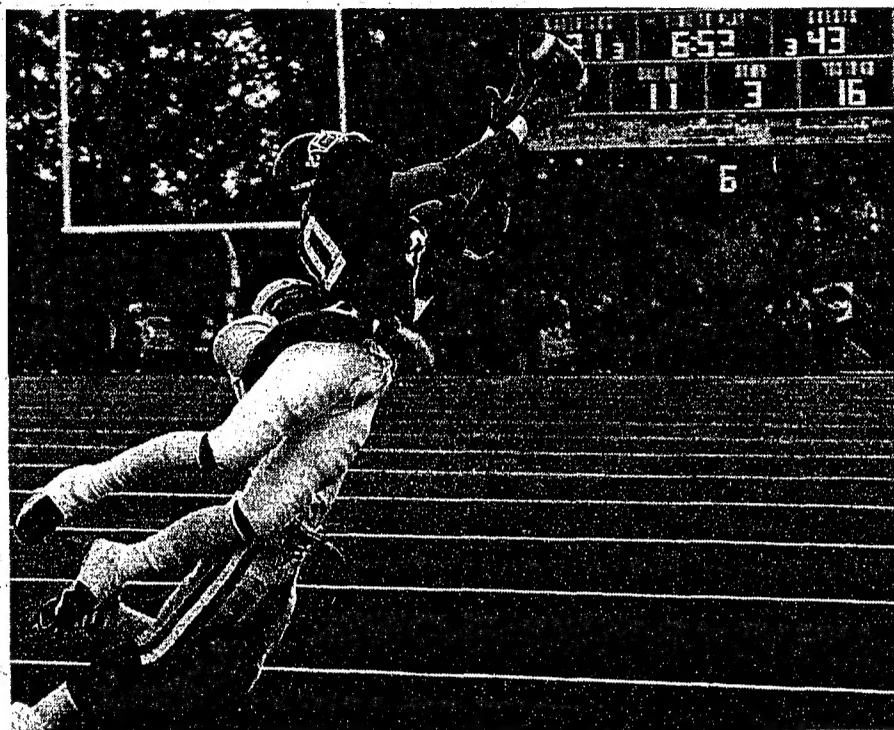
The Mavericks held the Division II powerhouse Gorillas to 51 yards rushing and forced ten punts.

"I guess a term you have to use is monumental to describe this win," Head Coach Pat Behrms said.

The Mavericks opened the scoring in the second quarter when junior quarterback Seth Turman crossed the goal line with 12:44 to go in the half.

The Maverick offense put the Gorillas away in the fourth quarter, marching 82 yards on 11 plays, capping it with a five-yard scoring run by senior tailback Adam Wright.

"It's a big win because it's something that's so hard to do at this level, in this conference, and this region," Behrms said.



Ryan Krause gets hit by NDSU's Mike Rhone as he tries to drop a pass late in the game. CM Chris Machian

NDSU, Turnovers End Magical Maverick Run

CORY CARLSON

Staff Writer

North Dakota State ended UNO's gridiron season with a convincing 43-21 victory in the second round of the Division II playoffs at Al Caniglia Field Saturday.

"We faced a very good football team that made more plays than we did, which is very obvious," Head Coach Pat Behrms said.

The Mavs started with a bang, marching 90 yards in 10 plays for the game's first score. The drive was keyed by a 22-yard pass from junior Seth Turman to sophomore tight end Andy Damkroger. Senior tailback Adam Wright also made a nice move on an NDSU defender to move the ball inside the Bison five-yard line. Junior fullback John Dustin capped the drive with a one-yard plunge to put the Mavericks up 7-0.

Redshirt freshman linebacker Nick Pearson, a Millard North product, blocked a punt on the ensuing NDSU possession. The

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Mayor Visits UNO for International Ed Week

A.M. RENEE

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In celebration of the first "International Education Week," Omaha Mayor Hal Daub visited international students at UNO as a featured speaker.

In a gesture of goodwill and good humor, Daub greeted the multi-lingual, multi-ethnic audience in Korean, Spanish, Italian and Japanese, admitting that, "in the process, I have just missed at least 25 other languages or more, as my remarks have just been aimed at more than 60 countries."

Speaking to a cross section of the international student body, Daub expressed his pride at the achievements and scope of the UNO.

"We are privileged and proud in Nebraska, here in this large metropolitan city to have a more global view of internationalism and of those things that flavor the attractiveness of living here in our city," Daub said. "I am interested in the projects and programs of the university with respect to international students and always very happy to participate in the programs and work that is so important here."

Daub pointed out Omaha's history of international relations, especially with regard to the sister-city program.

"I am particularly proud of our city because we have three sister cities. Our partnership with Shizuoka has been almost a 35 year sister-city experience and one of the longest standing continuous programs in the United States since the original vision from Dwight Eisenhower ... it is a powerful and fun relationship we have with Shizuoka."

Daub said Omaha's two sister cities Braunschweig, Germany and Shizuoka

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'Sex Woman' Gives Frank Talk

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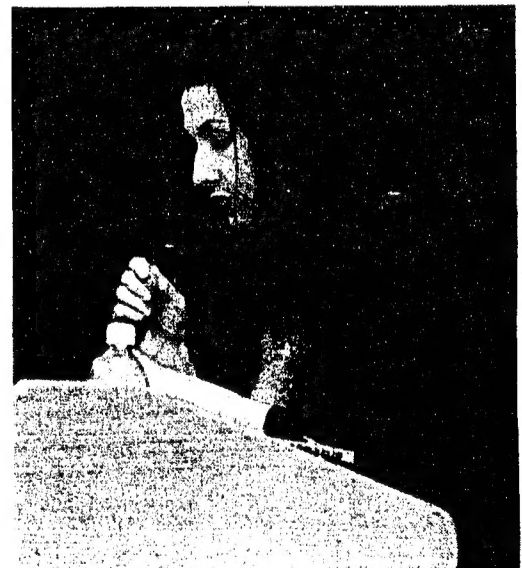
Heating up the Milo Ball Student Center Ballroom in the grip of a Nebraska winter, sex writer Anka Radakovich visited UNO to encourage healthy communication and freedom in fornication.

Dubbed "the sex woman" by publishers and television producers, Radakovich has written professionally on the subject for 10 years. Formerly a columnist for "Details" magazine, she currently writes for the men's magazine "Maxim," fitting it in between developing television and radio shows and researching her third book on the American sexual landscape.

Despite the November cold, a mix of young men and women turned out to hear and question Radakovich. Part therapist and part stand-up comedian, this self-proclaimed pro-sex feminist loosened up the crowd by reading a selection from her book "The Wild Girls Club: Tales from Below the Belt."

The chapter, entitled "Poles Apart: A Hard Look at Penises" offered a brutally feminine view of the male sex organ. Admitting a childhood difficulty in grasping this point of anatomy thanks in part to neutered Ken and Barbie dolls, Radakovich said, "by 13 I had started to understand penises thanks to local 15-year-old boys who were always trying to get me to touch theirs."

In her reading, Radakovich discussed the mystery and mythology of the male obsession with their members by offering this analysis: "The difference between male and female physiologies affects the way we view our reproductive organs. Women, with our internal, squishy accommodations, tend to be more self-protective and introspective. On the other hand, men, because of their fleshy protuberances, are constantly reminded of their biological imperative. This might explain why every time I walk by my neighborhood plant store with a man he points to the enormous cacti in the window and says, 'There's my size!' Women, conversely, do not



Anka Radakovich gives a frank talk about sex Nov 13 in the Milo Ball Student Center CM Chris Machian

walk by a Dunkin' Donuts, eye the hole on a glazed and make the same comparison."

Once attendees had been relaxed with jokes, they were ripe for the consumer advocate portion of Radakovich's presentation by getting her recommendation on what condoms will be in style this season.

From finger wraps to dental dams, female condoms and something called an Enspiral (with more headroom for the taller consumer), plus an item that looked more at home in a puppet show than in a bedside table, students were able to get a feel for a full range of products available to increase safety while still having fun.

"If you're going to have sex, you have to have safe sex ... You can really put the odds in your favor so easily by using condoms."

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INSIDE STORIES

ABC Anchor Gets UNMC Award

Sam Donaldson was in Omaha to accept the Ambassador of Hope Award for his work with cancer awareness. Page 2.

Head of the Coaching Class

Head Football Coach Pat Behrms captured the NCC football coach of the year title. Several Mav players are listed on the All-NCC teams. Page 11.

ABC Anchor Breaks from Election Coverage For UNMC Award



Sam Donaldson spoke to a crowd of doctors, cancer survivors and other supporters at the new SAC museum. He kept a comical and conversational attitude about the deadly topic.

JW Josh Williamson

SANDRA COOPER/BRIAN BRASHAW

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Veteran ABC News anchor Sam Donaldson and his wife Jan Smith-Donaldson were presented with the 2000 Ambassador of Hope Award at a dinner held at the Strategic Air Command Museum Nov. 17.

The Ambassador of Hope Award is given every other year by the friends of the UNMC Eppley Cancer Center, a community-based group committed to raising funds for cancer research.

The recipients of the award are individuals who have made significant contributions in the fight against cancer through their research, patient care activities or by raising the public's awareness of cancer.

Donaldson has worked 32 years for ABC News and also served two appointments as chief White House correspondent covering Presidents Carter, Reagan and Clinton.

He is also a correspondent for the Friday journal news program "20/20" and he co-anchored the Sunday morning broadcast "Meet the Press with Sam Donaldson and Cokie Roberts."

More than 900 people attended this year's black tie gala event, which was held in the Durham Restoration Gallery at the SAC Museum.

The program featured a video highlighting UNMC Eppley Cancer Center progress and presentations from UNMC Chancellor Harold Maurer, M.D., and Ken Cowan, the director at the cancer center.

In addition, the night also featured two cancer survivors who shared their stories before Donaldson gave his speech.

"UNMC Eppley Cancer Center is one of the leaders in the world in cancer research, cancer care and cancer research," Chancellor Maurer said.

He said progress in cancer research at UNMC has been absolutely phenomenal and he hopes this research will give great hope to those afflicted with this terrible disease.

Cowan then spoke of the advances the Medical Center has made.

"UNMC is one of 14 national cancer

institute designated as a clinical cancer center in this country," Cowan said.

The UNMC Eppley Cancer Center is recognized for its world-class cancer programs and was awarded for special research programs in gastrointestinal cancer by the National Cancer Institute.

Cowan also said UNMC received federal funding this year to continue their breast cancer and prostate cancer research.

When Donaldson took the podium to give his appreciation speech, he candidly shared his thoughts about the presidential election problems in Florida.

He then briefly spoke about discovering a lump on his body while taking a shower in 1995, which was later diagnosed as being melanoma cancer.

When Donaldson accepted the Ambassador of Hope Award, he shared a story that reminded him of his situation.

"I am reminded of what John F. Kennedy said. How did you become a war hero? 'They sank my boat,' he replied. How did I come to receive this award tonight? Well, I got cancer."

Today, Donaldson says he's cancer free and has a chance of living a long and healthy lifestyle.

Donaldson asked the audience for funding to fight the cancer disease that takes the lives of hundreds of thousands of Americans each year.

"We have enough money to build space defenses and we don't have enough money to test cancer therapies that kills 465,000

Americans a year. Isn't that silly?" Donaldson said. "We need more money to do trials to see if what works on the rats, works on the humans."

"Let's get to the point that cancer will appear in the dictionary like the disease polio," Donaldson said.

After his speech, Donaldson departed for Washington, D.C., to continue his coverage of the election.



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Doctorate Program Making Changes

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The six-year-old public administration doctorate program will undergo changes to broaden its student involvement. In August 2001 the program will feature an intense-research based seminar aimed at meeting the needs of students outside the Omaha area.

"The Doctoral Program Committee in the Department of Public Administration has for some time been discussing ways to reach out beyond the Omaha metro area," Richard Box, chair of the doctoral program committee, said. "The program will help maintain and grow the doctoral program and advanced education on the UNO campus."

Enrolled students will be expected to

conduct independent research and writing between sessions.

Courses will be offered in extended sessions twice each semester.

Box says the program will prepare students for a career in academia or better aptitude in their professional practice.

"Students receive thorough education in advanced research theory and practice of the public sector and public management," Box said.

Four main areas of concentration will be the focus of course work: core, research, specialization and workshops in teaching, and professional skills.

In addition to this, the seminar will utilize electronic communication between professors and classmates.

UNO is moving toward this option to

assist in students' schedules.

"The Ph.D. program is currently a mix of working people and full-time students," Box said. "Neither the doctoral program nor the intensive format is specifically directed at full-time working people or full-time students, but accommodates both."

Box foresees interested students from other states participating in the program.

"Students living in other parts of Nebraska or in surrounding states such as Iowa, South Dakota, Missouri and Kansas may drive to Omaha. It's possible people may fly in from more distant places."

Students have been giving the department feedback on the program's incentives, with many uncertain if the

current program will be changed.

"There are no changes to the Ph.D. curriculum," Box said. "It will not affect local students except in terms of when they attend class. But we expect that, over a two or three-year period, we will see evidence of improved service to the state and the region."

Graduation from the program for full-time working students is an estimated four to five years. Required course work is a 42-credit load, a dissertation and a major research project that complements knowledge in the field.

Interested students can view the public administration department site at www.unomaha.edu/~wwwpa/pahome.html.

DAUB

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each have something unique to offer Nebraska exchange students.

"The city of Braunschweig is the city of learning and a center of federal government. Their space administration is located there," Daub said. "When you would go to Braunschweig, or Shizouka, what you would see is two cities that look almost exactly like Omaha. It is amazing how similar the two cities are, how similar in population, in geography, in diversity of culture and in diversity of economic strata."

Daub holds out hope that the same might be said in a generation of Omaha's third sister city Siauliai, Lithuania. Formerly the largest Air Force Base of the Russian Empire, the city has been economically decimated by the military withdrawal and is now struggling.

"But, this is interesting because we in Omaha have the opportunity to contribute to infrastructure rebuilding, and to the ideas of what democracy means in terms of it being supported by free enterprise and the strength of free markets, which are the only elements that really cultivate the idea of how a republic can be formed and how its people can own land and be free," Daub said.

Daub also offered a little more economic and geographic background on Omaha, in terms of its relationship with the rest of the United States.

"As mayor of the 43rd largest city in America, it might not mean much to you, but if I said that it was the 43rd largest city of 17,000 cities in the United States, that it is larger than Miami, larger than Detroit, larger than Minneapolis, it would place Omaha higher in your mind in understanding this place in which you are living and studying," Daub said.

Further, Daub also pointed out Omaha's place as a city "in the middle of the world", with regard to its distinguished ranking of Fortune 500 companies, major air freight, telecommunications industry, and its forefather, the United States Air Force's Strategic Air Command, as well as the crossroads of I-29 and I-80.

He also noted a favorite Nebraska pastime, dining out, and mentioned the mix of international dishes available, from Trini's to the French Café and further out west toward Sushi Ichiban. While on the surface it may just be the answer to a night out, Daub contends that the restaurant community fosters global awareness.

"Global awareness ... those are big words, but I think that they are so important to enjoy a full life ... what you do here at the University of Nebraska at Omaha fosters global awareness," Daub said. "It provides an international connection between students, between our community, our state, our country to your community, to your nation, and to your people."

Daub said the opportunity to be an International Studies scholar in Omaha, can have lasting global repercussions, as the students from UNO will participate in forming economic and political policy of the future. Besides the opportunity to analyze various such policy, Daub holds more important the opportunity for different cultures and people to develop understanding.

"Isn't it very true that what happens when we taste and begin to appreciate diversity of our cultures and backgrounds that we have better understanding," Daub said. "That's the bridge, you can't change the mind until you start with the heart and build the pathway to the mind...the real world is that first you must understand the emotion of someone and understand where the other person is coming from, from their heart."

He added, "Once you understand that, it gives us all an opportunity to get along better, regardless of slant of eye, slope of cheekbone, color of skin, or sound of voice."

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Kathy's Korner

a column by Kathy Meader

Sometimes it's hard for a person to admit they're wrong. It's even more difficult for the person who is a natural born cynic, say, for somebody like myself. I've learned though, that not only do angels exist, but UNO is full of them. They are cleverly disguised as students, staff, and faculty.

There have been several instances where I have seen angels at work. A couple of weeks ago, I saw a young man help a young woman with her car on a cold, bitter day. He could have passed her by so he could get somewhere warm, only this young man chose not to.

Other students have gone out of their way to see that fellow students get to class safely. Sometimes it's just holding a door open long enough so that somebody who is disabled can get in the building.

One teacher gave a student a book on grammar. This teacher did not even have the student in her class. The young student was grateful, but the teacher seemed to think nothing of it. To the student, that woman may have been a teacher, to me, she was an angel.

I've seen people give other people money so they too can have something to eat or drink.

I've seen people volunteer to take notes for the student who can't. For whatever reason, their regular notetaker isn't there, so another student volunteers.

When it's raw and brittle outside, I've felt the generosity of these angels. Going up the ramps can be hard when it's cold and fingers are stiff.

I've had angels come up from behind and give me that extra push I need, then they leave and I never get the chance to thank them.

There are far more angels than I can ever begin to discuss, but you know who you are. Your actions are appreciated and even though you may not be aware that you've been seen doing wonderful things for others, some have noticed.

It's the angels like UNO has that can make our world a nice place to live in. Not just our college world, but the world beyond.

It's the angels like all of you that make a cynic like me admit angels are nice to have around. It's the angels that make the smiles brighter, the clouds whiter, and the pouring rain a light mist.

It's the goodness of the angels that make me lose some of my cynicism.

Sometimes the world can be just a little too real, school a little too stressful, and life a little too much. Angels just have a way of bringing people back to Earth. Thank you, all of you.

Correction

There was an error in the letter to the editor from Brad Ashley printed Nov. 10. The sentence should have read "The people of Nebraska do not want to see our ethical and moral values deteriorate by opening the door to warped and perverse definitions of what marriage should be."

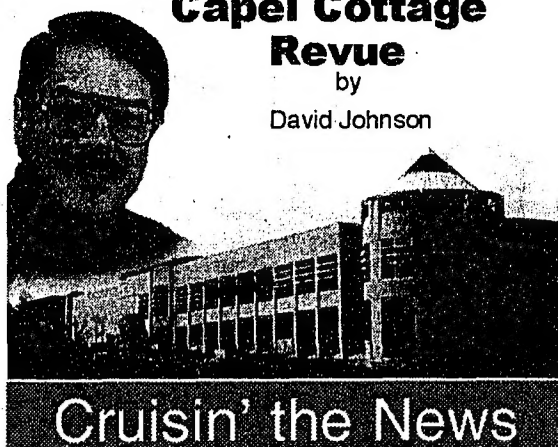
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Capel Cottage Revue

by
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Cruisin' the News

- Yeah, But What About Tort-ellini Reform?**
According to the *Nikkan Kogyo* newspaper, UCC Ueshima Coffee Company and Mitsubishi Corporation have jointly developed the world's fastest thawing frozen spaghetti. This pasta thaws 24 seconds faster in boiling water than normal spaghetti. The new spaghetti, however, has a wavy shape.
Wavy, eh? Well, what they've really discovered is the world's fastest thawing extremely thin lasagne.
- Drugs, Guns, Bombs, And Cartels Can't Take That Smile Off My Face**
The computer equipment maker 3Com Corp. has just completed an Internet survey of 400,000 people around the globe. The findings show Columbians are the happiest people in the world. According to the survey, 73 percent of Columbians questioned said they were living a happy life, compared to the global average of 35 percent.
That's because there are no hanging chads in Columbia.
- If Truth Be Told, I Cannot Tell A Lie**
The company 911 Computer of South Korea has developed a hand-held lie detector which measures stress in a person's voice. It is called the Handy Truster and can even be plugged into a mobile phone. While the company offers no guarantees, Charles Han, vice president of 911 Computer claims an 82 percent accuracy rate.
We find out about this AFTER the election!?!?
- Rats!**
The National Pest Technicians Association in England has just released a survey in which it claims the country's brown rat population has increased 31 percent since 1998. The association lists a number of reasons why the brown rat population is on the rise, but the biggest reason is rats are eatin' of American fast food outlets, such as McDonalds and Hardees. According to the NPTA, brown rats carry a range of health problems which people can contract, including salmonella and Weil's disease.
And now ... coronary artery disease.
- Better Increase The Christmas Card List**
A team of scientists at Pavia University in Italy have just completed a genetic study of the Y-chromo-

some. The team says 95 percent of all European men are related to just 10 men whose descendants migrated from the Middle East and Siberia between 6,000 to 40,000 years ago. "Almost all the men in Europe are related to one of 10 fathers," one of the scientists said.
Funny, I hear the same thing about Arkansas.

- Headline News**
Headline in *The Omaha World Herald* business section last week read: "Krispy Kreme Profits Rise."
Well, Clinton did put more cops on the streets.
- Oops!**
The Norwegian Mapping Authority has discovered a small...ish error made by previous mapmakers. It seems Norway's coastline is actually 16,150 miles longer than originally reported. A new computer program found the 45 percent error while measuring thousands of tiny inlets and islands along the coastline.
The Florida State Supreme Court has ordered a hand recount.
- Those Wacky Environmentalists**
The Hadley Center for Climate Prediction and Research says by 2050 the world's trees and soils will start failing, and by 2080 more than 90 percent of Arctic ice will have melted unless something is done now to cut greenhouse gases. Scientists from the U.S. and Australia want immediate planting of vast forests to absorb some of the carbon emissions. European scientists oppose that, saying reforestation will mean more forest fires, which will mean more carbon gas emission.
Not if we plant them in the Arctic.
- Wee Troubles**
Leo Dobronogov is a Russian farmer who leads a typical Russian farmer's life ... except for the fact when the Ukraine and Russia finally agreed on an official border, his farm was divided. To make matters worse, Dobronogov's house is in one country, and his outhouse is in the other and officials want him to take his passport with him every time he goes. In fact, he's been fined twice for forgetting his passport on the way to the john. Both countries are currently trying to work out a compromise.
I hope so. I mean, you can only hold it so long.
- I'll Have Spam, Spam, Spam, Spam, Eggs, Spam, and Spam**
Believe it or not, a new theme park has opened in Austin, Minn., dedicated to the world of Spam. There are Spam carving exhibits and Spam cooking demonstrations. You can buy Spam coffee mugs, Spam mouse pads and even Spam boxer shorts. And ... you can join the Spam fan club. Think I'm joking? More than 100,000 people have already visited the park.
And you think it's boring in Nebraska?
- Yeah, But Will They Allow Bikinis?**
China is in consideration to be awarded the 2008 Summer Olympic Games. If so, Beijing Mayor Liu Qi has announced plans for playing the beach volleyball competition in Tiananmen Square, site of the 1989 student massacre.
Side out — tank in the net.

Letter to the Editor

In the Nov. 10 issue of *The Gateway*, UNO student Brad Ashley wrote:
"What the faculty Senate has failed to recognize is that individuals who would refuse to come to Nebraska because of (Initiative) 416 are exactly the type of academicians this state can do without."
Initiative 416 passed, thus legally stating that Nebraska does not recognize same-sex marriages, etc. The groups of people who are against the measure are (obviously) homosexuals and those in favor of gay rights. Does Mr. Ashley mean, then, that this state can do without academicians who are gay and lesbian? Should the University of Nebraska Board of Regents go through its system with a fine-tooth comb and remove all professors and students who are homosexual, since "this state can do without" them? It's interesting to remember that 65 years ago, a man named Adolph did something quite similar to homosexuals (as well as Catholics and Jews) in Germany.
How can America be a free country when one person's moral and religious freedom is another person's oppression?

Paul R. Coate
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SEXPERT

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Radakovich said. "There are just so many things out there that you can get, why risk it, especially when you can do something about it."

Radakovich admitted some of the products look ridiculous. She encouraged a fun, comic approach to using safe sex devices.

"If you can make safe sex fun, then you'll be more inclined to use it if you just don't get so uptight about it."

The key, according to Radakovich, of making sex fun and enjoyable for both partners is communication, a factor overlooked by many couples.

"Most people are embarrassed to talk about sex. Sometimes, we are embarrassed to talk about sex with the person we are having sex with. But let's face it, sex is ridiculous," Radakovich said. "The positions are ridiculous, it looks ridiculous, and of course it smells ridiculous. The reality is that eventually you are going to have sex and they say that the two reasons that married couples break up are over money and sex, so if you don't start talking about sex, you are probably going to have bad sex. That's even worse than having no sex, I think."

While a female writer with a sex obsession is often deemed a "slut," according to Radakovich, her own revelations about her experiences with extreme sexual venues were surprisingly tame. She may be a gung-ho researcher on a mission to free America from the restraints of sexual embarrassment, but she did relate some curiously subdued limits.

"You go to these group sex clubs, which is a married couples scene — which surprises me to find that married people are getting it more than me — and it's like 'whoa, they're doin' it right out in the open.'"

Her personal stories of a sex addicts group (which included having to hold hands with a compulsive masturbator), a clothing faux pas at a nudist colony and passing over her shot at feature film stardom in the porn industry revealed that even the most hardened reporter can be surprised.

Students leaped at the opportunity for an open Q & A with the "sexpert," asking everything from questions on relationship strategy to what oral sex technique works the best. While Radakovich is a tough, no-nonsense New Yorker, she still advised men to "be smooth with the ladies."

According to her, compliments go a long way, every man should be ready to do some work to please his partner, and that every survey "Details" magazine has conducted shows that women want more than just sex.

"I'm not saying you necessarily want to have a relationship with a guy, but it would be nice to know that he at least likes us a little bit, rather than wham, bam and it's over," Radakovich said.

However, Radakovich does not leave the entire burden of responsibility on men in the pleasure department. Whether one must overcome personal embarrassment or deeply guarded beliefs, Radakovich still advocates for women to speak up aggressively and tell their partners what they want and how to do it.

"Even if you feel like an air traffic controller, tell them where to go — help them out," Radakovich said. "In my experience, most men don't know when a woman is aroused, so you have to show them. And if you are not aroused, you have to say 'hey, let's try something else.'"

After answering every question the most adventurous students dared to ask and "baring it all" in the interest of education, Radakovich wished everyone a "happy and healthy sex life," swallowing her "thanks for coming."

INTERNATIONAL TIES

Burgos and Zuluaga from Colombia

LAURA SANCHEZ

Staff Writer

Both Oscar Leonardo Burgos and Juan Fernandez Zuluaga come from Bogota, Colombia, and have been in Omaha for one month.

Burgos will spend six months studying at ILUNO, UNO's intensive language program, and then he hopes to study industrial design at any university in this country.

Zuluaga will stay in Omaha until March. He has already graduated from aviation school in Colombia, so his objective is to find a job with an American airline company.

Though they have only been in Omaha for a month, they are already getting homesick. Both students said they miss their families and Colombian food.

"We are used to eating large quantities of food at one sit down, but here people don't eat as much," Zuluaga said.

"I find it difficult to get used to the eating schedule here. In Colombia, the largest meal of the day is lunch, here it isn't," Burgos said.

Both students also miss the night life of Colombia.

"Parties in Omaha are boring in comparison to Colombia where people mix festive dance with drinks," Zuluaga said.

Burgos said he notices that people in Omaha only dance to American music.

"In Colombia there is more abundance of style and selection," he said.

Even though at times it is hard for Zuluaga and Burgos, they said they are glad to be part of such an experience, living in a foreign country with a culture different than their own.

And why did they choose to come to Omaha from all the other cities in the U.S.?

Zuluaga chose Omaha because he said it is less expensive and because he thought nobody was going to speak Spanish. He soon found out that ILUNO has a high percentage of South American students. He said this creates an extra challenge to stick with the English and fight the temptation to only speak Spanish.

Burgos discovered UNO and ILUNO by surfing the Web.

Both Zuluaga and Burgos have found differences between their homeland and Omaha.

"Everything is organized. The culture is different, it seems like corruption doesn't exist as in Colombia," Zuluaga said. "In Bogota people get robbed next to a traffic light, but because it's my city, I feel secure there."

Other differences these two students found are related to the lifestyles. They said it seems like people are more relaxed here than in their city.

"To go from one place to another by car takes us one or two hours," they said.

This is because of traffic jams and the great number of buses that congest the city.

Despite the differences that these two students are experiencing in Omaha, they said they are content with their decision to come here, and they are enjoying it.

"I like the people in Omaha," Burgos said. "They are nice, affectionate and modest."

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Lorie Line: A Different Kind of Christmas Concert

DAVID M JOHNSON

Sports Editor

There are a number of annual Christmas traditions in Omaha: the lighting of the Christmas tree at the Durham Western Heritage Museum, the Dickens Parade in the Old Market, watching "The Nutcracker" ballet at the Orpheum and taking in "A Christmas Carol" at the Omaha Community Playhouse.

Well ... add one more thing to your "To Do List" — Lorie Line's show Thursday night at the Music Hall.

Line's "Be There With Bells On" tour is an absolute must see. Line and her 14-piece Pop Chamber Orchestra have been rockin' and jazzin' up Christmas time in Omaha for a number of years, and this year she promises a bigger and better show — new stage design, new costumes and a new 1,450-pound Yamaha concert grand piano made especially for Line.

If you've never been to a Lorie Line concert, let me explain what it is like ... it's jazz, classical, pop, new age, olde English, and country and more blues than you can shake your bells at. Oh, let me not forget fun, and exciting

and 100 percent purely pleasurable.

Line is one of the most innovative arrangers and pianists in the business today. Add to that a violin, guitar, harmonica, cello, bass, saxophone, bagpipes, drums, banjo and flute, and you've got a Christmas concert to remember. And if that's not enough, enter gospel singer extraordinaire Robbie Robinson (Santa Claus) whose voice will send fun bumps all over your body. It's not often you see a guest artist receive a standing ovation before he sings, but Line fans know Robinson's talents and anxiously await his arrival every year on stage. He alone is worth the price of admission.

A little about Line. In 12 short years, she has gone from playing piano in a department store in Minneapolis to being one of the top-selling new age artists in the world. She already has one PBS special under her belt; a second television show is due out next year. Line has just released her 15th and 16th CDs, "Just Me" and "The Silver Album."

If you see one Christmas concert this year, this is it. Lorie Line and her Pop Chamber Orchestra play Thursday night at the Music Hall. Call 422-2323 for tickets.



Courtesy Photo

'Nutcracker' Gets Revamped For 2000 Holiday Run

DAVID M JOHNSON

Sports Editor

Petr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's holiday masterpiece "The Nutcracker" opens Thursday with a 7:30 performance at the Orpheum Theater.

A holiday tradition for many, this timeless ballet has been given a contemporary feel by Director of the Omaha Theater Company Ballet Robin Welch. Welch has transformed the old into the new, bringing the ballet into the 1920s with updated sets and "Betty Boop" style. It may not be the same "Nutcracker" you saw as a child, but this new and improved version was very well received when it premiered last year.

Featured are Erin Stover as Clara, Venti Petrov as the Prince, and Rachel Vickery and Marcela Figueroa alternating nightly as the Snow Queen and Sugar Plum Fairy. The cast of this year's "Nutcracker" also showcases the talents of more than 80 local children.

I have been told since this is the Chinese Year of the Dragon, a fire-breathing form of the monster will grace the stage in the second act during the popular Chinese dance.

Come see the flappers, vamps and even Charlie Chaplin dance their way into your heart with plies, leaps, a little bit of tango and a whole lot of the Charleston. Tickets are available by calling 444-4750 or Ticketmaster at 422-1212. Ticket prices range from \$17.50 to \$33.00.

SHOW TIMES

Thursday, Nov. 30	7:30 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 1	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 2	2:00 and 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 3	2:00 p.m.

Iowa Western Puts on Minimalist 'Our Town'

Review by MICHAEL CALLAHAN JR

Staff Writer

Less in more. Iowa Western Community College's production of "Our Town," which ran Nov. 16 through 19, brought true meaning to that good old cliché. With nothing more than ladders, chairs, and a big heart, the students at Iowa Western put on this 1938 Pulitzer Prize winning play ambitiously, successfully tapping into the hearts of all those who made the trip to the Bluffs to support them.

Set in the early 19th century, the play is abnormally divided into three acts. The opening act, "The Daily Life: 1901," is a poignant portrait of family conflict and interaction for the time. The second act, "Love and marriage," is a charming look at the unusual process of marriage, and the third and final act, "Death and Afterlife," deals with the realization on has about life in afterlife.

The most vivid memory walking out of this play is not what is said in the play, but what is implied. It challenges you to take a step back and take a good look at life in general, and how lightly we can sometimes take the privilege life really is.

In a cast full of winners, no one stuck out as head and shoulders above everyone, but instead the cast all performed their roles as intended, getting the point of the play across steadily. Painting the picture throughout the play as Stage Manager, a narrator-type role, was Cheril Nolan. Nolan's enthusiasm calling the action was fierce and charismatic, drawing you in perhaps right before your mind hinted to wander in another direction.

The young couple who wed in the play are Emily Webb and George Gibbs, played by the cute-as-a-button little

blonde Sandie Sparr and handsome Eric Whitney. Their on-stage chemistry was well received and at times very charming. The couple's uneasiness before getting married was delightful and I'm sure many could relate to their anxieties in the audience.

Other winners on the stage were the rather laid back father of George, Dr. Gibbs, played by Kevin Bensley, the somewhat over-bearing mother Mrs. Gibbs, played by Lori Higby, and of course, being a college production, a very good drunken act for Simon Stimson, played by Joe Thompson. Kathleen Bagby's direction was well blocked and extremely well thought out, as most actions were done charades style because of the lack of props. Bagby's direction really expressed her understanding of Thornton Wilder's composition.

The truth is, with a script as good as this, the cast of MTV's "Undressed" could have come off looking good in this play. Yet there was something very likable about this small, motivated cast of "Our Town." You could tell they saw the inner beauty of this play throughout rehearsals, and forwarded that message to the audience. "Our Town" is a stellar, timeless piece of literature and I recommend all readers to check it out the next time it shows around the metro.

As for Iowa Western Community College, their next on-stage attraction will be "Oklahoma" in their brand new performing arts center in April. You could perhaps see some of the same talent that was showcased with "Our Town." And if you're really stoked about "Oklahoma," anyone is welcome to audition and contribute to the quality of Iowa Western Theatre. Anyone with questions about the production or auditions may call 325-3467.

Grade: B+

The Big Concert Update

RAE LICARI

Arts & Leisure Editor

OMAHA:

11/30 The Big Wu—Music Box
11/30 Lorie Line—Civic Auditorium Music Hall
12/06 Nothingface—Ranch Bowl
12/08 C.O.C.—Ranch Bowl
12/10 Michael W. Smith—Civic Auditorium
12/11 Wynonna Judd—Civic Auditorium
12/12 Marilyn Manson—Civic Auditorium
12/12 Unified Theory—Ranch Bowl
12/12 Go Fish—Civic Auditorium Music Hall
12/14 Catch 22—Ranch Bowl
12/31 The Continentals—Music Box
12/31 Cheshire Grin—Ranch Bowl

LINCOLN:

12/01 Kenny Rogers—Pershing Auditorium
12/02 Reverend Horton Heat—Royal Grove
12/09 Original P—Royal Grove

AMES, Iowa:

12/02 Grubby Ernie—Maintenance Shop
12/08 Alejandro Escovedo—Maintenance Shop
12/09 Scarlet Life—Maintenance Shop

DES MOINES, Iowa:

12/02 Rodney Carrington—Supertoad
12/07 Lorie Line—Civic Center
12/08 Brenda Lee—Civic Center
12/10 Papa Roach—Supertoad
12/11 Andy Williams—Civic Center
12/14 Sara Evans—Supertoad

SIOUX CITY, Iowa:

12/13 Go Fish—Convention Center

LAWRENCE, Kan.:

11/28 C.O.C.—Granada
11/28 Meat Puppets—Bottleneck
12/02 The Grifters—Bottleneck
12/04 Morbid Angel—Bottleneck
12/07 Reverend Horton Heat—Bottleneck
12/10 Nothingface—Bottleneck
12/14 Isotope 217—Bottleneck

KANSAS CITY, Mo.:

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Silver Screen

a review by T.J. ACCOLA

"Bagger Vance" Uncommonly Good Golf Movie

Seldom do they make films like "The Legend of Bagger Vance" anymore. Even more seldom do those films make much money. Today's audiences are just too jaded and doubting to embrace movies like "The Legend of Bagger Vance." That's disappointing because occasionally one of these films is actually pretty good. "The Legend of Bagger Vance" is one of them.

You have to give Robert Redford credit. He makes some pretty fine films about seemingly boring and offbeat subjects: "Quiz Show," "The Milagro Beanfield War," "The Horse Whisperer," and "A River Runs Through It," probably his most well-known directorial effort — and in my personal opinion, one of the most beautiful and touching films ever made.

"The Legend of Bagger Vance" is no different from the above films. It is about a very boring subject: golf. You can try to argue, but let's face it: golf is probably the most boring sport out there. It really doesn't make a good film subject. Does anyone remember "Tin Cup?" That had two kisses of death: golf AND Kevin Costner.

But unlike "Tin Cup," "The Legend of Bagger Vance" does have quite a few drawing points: Matt Damon, Charlize Theron, Will Smith, Redford and Theron again. (Charlize was what sold me on the film, in case you couldn't tell.)

Damon plays Rannulph Junuh — Savannah's hero-in-residence. Junuh is one of the best golf players the state of Georgia has ever seen, and he is destined for greatness. That is, until World War I arrives and Junuh heads off to battle. After witnessing the decimation of his entire platoon, Junuh suffers a major case of shell-shock. He comes back to Savannah considering himself disgraced.

Adele Invergordon (Theron), the girlfriend he left behind, finds out that Junuh has returned. Following the death of her father, Adele was left with ownership of the town's famous golf resort. Unfortunately, a golf resort doesn't draw too many visitors during an economic depression. So Adele comes up with an idea to save the golf resort and give Savannah a much needed kick in the financial ass at the same time. By holding a golf match between the two greatest golfers in the country, Bobby Jones (Joel Gretsch) and Walter Hagen (Bruce McGill), the resort will draw nationwide attention. But everyone wants a hometown golfer to participate also. So

Adele does what women always do: she uses sex as a weapon and convinces Junuh to join the competition.

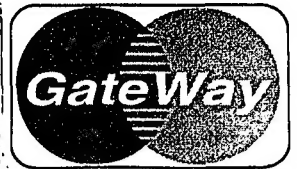
Unfortunately, Junuh has lost his "touch" when it comes to golf. Enter the mysterious Bagger Vance (Smith), who intends to give Junuh back his game. The plot becomes pretty standard after the start of the competition, as Junuh battles to keep up with the two pros and, if possible, beat them.

The acting in "The Legend of Bagger Vance" is far above average. Naturally, when you cram three stars with the amount of talent Damon, Smith and Theron have into the same movie, you should expect some great acting. Smith's performance was a pleasant surprise. The last (and only time) he ever did serious acting was in "Six Degrees of Separation," and that was seven years ago. We are used to seeing Smith play the obnoxiously egotistical, smooth characters, but in this movie he is the opposite. In fact, I laughed more than a few times during Smith's scenes (more than I laughed during the entire television run of "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air"). If there is one complaint I have about the acting, it is the accents. In the first half-hour or so, the accents are way overdone by all the leads. But the fakeness starts to wear off eventually, as the actors must have begun to slide into their accents after the first few weeks of filming.

Two major problems with "The Legend of Bagger Vance" exist. The most glaring of the two is the sugar-coating of everything. It seems very hard to believe that there were no racists in southern Georgia in the early part of the century. I highly doubt Smith's character would have even been allowed on the golf course amid such bigotry and intolerance. Also, for a town that is supposed to be in the midst of the Great Depression, Savannah doesn't really look all that bad. Sure, the stores are empty and the streets barren, but everybody looks pretty well fed and they all seem way too happy.

See? This is what I mean about audiences being jaded. I myself cannot even keep from criticizing a movie's good nature. But, if you can keep from noticing the fact that everything in "The Legend of Bagger Vance" is a bit too picturesque and inviting, you just might enjoy it.

Grade: B



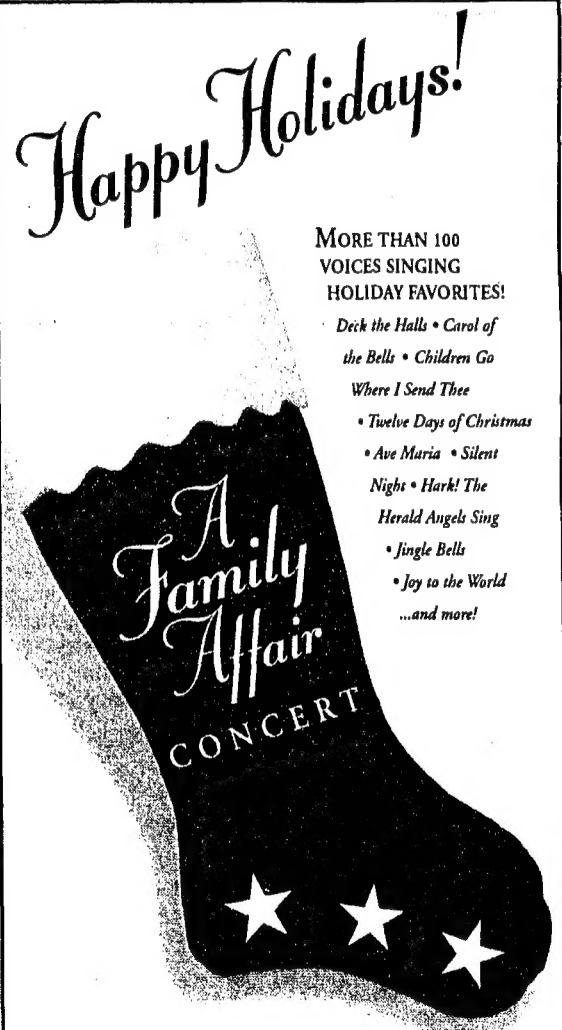
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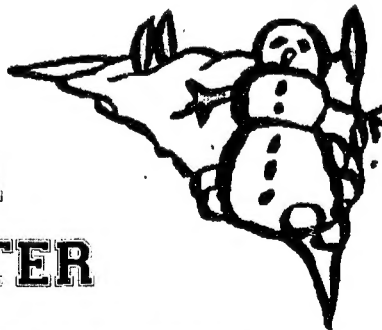
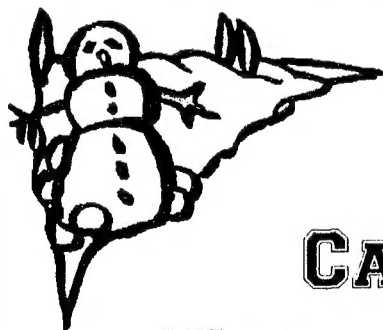
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Maverick Cagers Break Records In 3-0 Start

CORY CARLSON

Staff Writer

UNO vs. Western State

UNO broke the school record for 3-pointers with 13 but fell short of school scoring record while defeating Western State 117-75 Tuesday at Sapp Fieldhouse.

An estimated crowd of 250 watched sophomore forward Dan Morrow connect on five of eight shots from behind the arc and score a career-high 19 points.

Three Mavericks set new career highs in points scored, including senior center Darran Miller (14 points), and junior big man Eric Allen (10 points and seven rebounds). Five Mavericks scored in double figures, including Morrow. Junior guard Corey Hahn figured in the final score with 17 points, five rebounds and two assists. Sophomore guard Seth Nelson chipped in 14 points.

UNO shot 60 percent from the floor and 59 percent from three-point range. The Mavs held a decisive edge in rebounding 39-22 and committed just seven turnovers in the contest.

Maverick Classic

UNO vs. Midland Lutheran

Sophomore Dan Morrow continued his red-hot shooting with an 18-point performance in the Mavs 95-77 win in the first game of the Maverick Classic Friday at Sapp Fieldhouse.

Morrow led all scorers, shooting 50 percent from the floor (7-14), and hit three of eight shots from behind the arc.

Junior center Al Lainio dominated the boards, grabbing 16 rebounds, including nine on the offensive glass.

The Mavs clearly dominated the inside, scoring 48 points in the paint compared to 14 for Midland. The Mavs also had 28 second-chance points compared to just one for the Warriors.

UNO got 16 points from senior center Darran Miller, 12 points from sophomore guard Corey Hahn, and 13 points apiece from junior forward Eddie King and freshman forward Tola Dada.

The Mavs scored 52 points in the second half to put away the Warriors and advance to the final game against Abeline Christian.

Maverick Classic

UNO vs. Abilene Christian

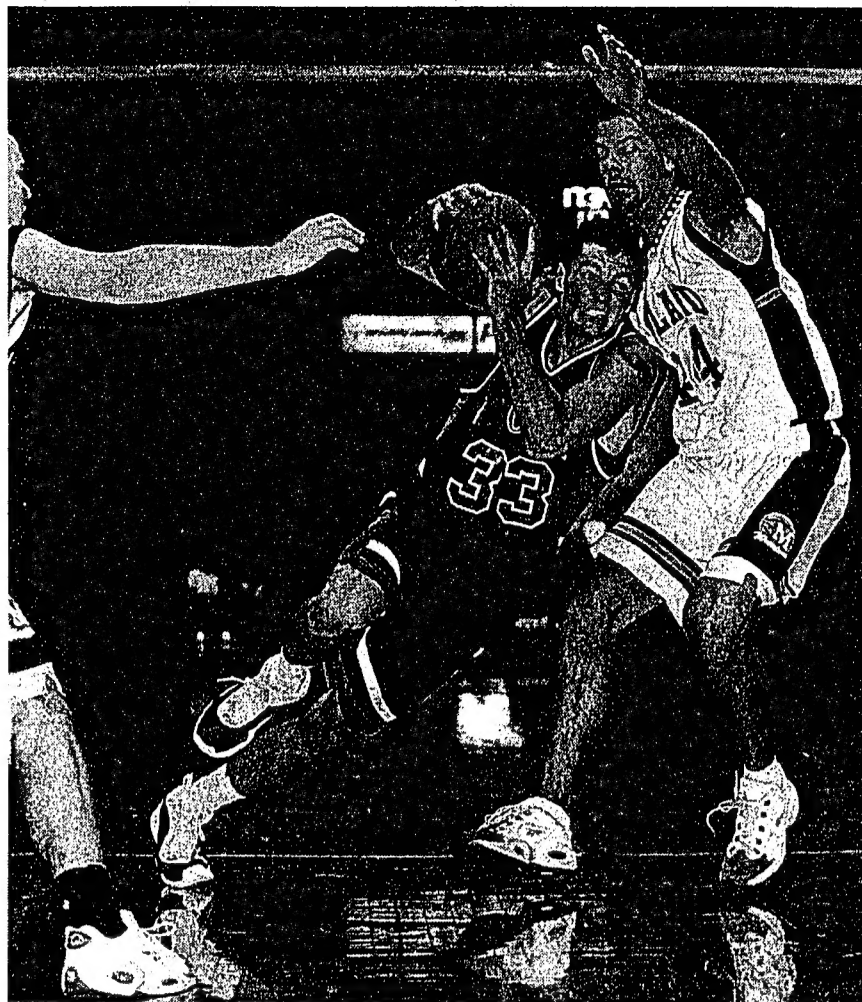
The UNO defense shined Saturday in a 74-54 win over the Wildcats in the championship game of the 2000 Maverick Classic in front of 900 at Sapp Fieldhouse.

Morrow capped off his Most Valuable Player and All-Tournament performance with 17 points, including 5-7 from three-point land.

Morrow was 6-8 from the floor, with three rebounds and four assists.

The Mavs defense took advantage of their opportunities, forcing 23 turnovers, scoring 29 points off of them. UNO played consistently, turning the ball over just eight times resulting in four AC points. Head Coach Kevin Lehman's group held their second straight opponent to less than 50 percent shooting.

Up next is a trip to Kearney to play UNK at 7:30 Wednesday.



Corey Hahn drives past Midland Warrior Mike Anderson. The Mavericks took the lead early and kept it throughout the game. Hahn scored 13 points in the game.

JW Josh Williamson

Mav Skaters Hit Road Skid

BRIAN BRASHAW

Staff Writer

The road has not been friendly for the Maverick hockey team this season. Despite a win over the No. 1 team in the country, Michigan State, UNO has since dropped seven straight road games including a pair at Miami-Ohio, and most recently, a pair at Hockey East member Merrimack.

After a glorious beginning, where UNO was 4-2 to start the year, the month of November came and rained on the Mav parade. Head Coach Mike Kemp's squad finished 2-6 in the month, and now stands 6-8 for the season.

The weekend of Nov. 17-18 saw the Mavs in Oxford, Ohio, for a Central Collegiate Hockey Association match up.

Miami, which had not won a conference game, stole the Nov. 17 contest, scoring three third-period goals to win 3-2.

UNO struck first on a Billy Pugliese goal, but Miami got the first two goals of the third period to take a 2-1 lead. The Mavericks answered again, but with just 38 seconds left, Miami scored the game winner.

The next night was not a close contest. The Redhawks came out with two goals in the first period to establish an early lead. UNO did get on the board late in the first stanza when David Brisson scored with just two seconds left.

Miami answered with two more second-period goals to give them a 4-1 lead. UNO scored late in the period to pull within two. However, the trend continued, and Miami posted two more goals to give it a 6-2 win and the sweep of UNO.

Unfortunately, the Mavs stayed on the road for a non-conference weekend with Hockey East member Merrimack.

For the first time since the CCHA championship game against Michigan State, the Mavs were shut out 2-0 Friday by Merrimack.

Merrimack goalie Joe Exter made 28 saves, earning the shutout. The Warriors got a goal in each of the second and third periods to secure the 2-0 win.

UNO fired 28 shots on Exter Saturday night, but could get only one to find home. Merrimack's two goals were enough to beat the Mavs.

The 2-1 victory Saturday, and sweep of UNO, turned things around for a Merrimack team which was whipped by Boston College 6-1, 7-2 the previous week.

Dan Ellis played three of the four road games in net for UNO. Rodney McLeod played in the 3-2 loss to Miami, making 14 saves. Ellis played steady in the Merrimack series, stopping a total of 50 of 54 shots.

UNO has three conference series in the month of December which will give the team an opportunity to move up from a current ninth-place tie in the 12-team CCHA. The Mavs come home this weekend to take on Alaska-Fairbanks.

Spikers' Season Ends With Loss to SDSU

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Senior Staff Writer

Three times did not prove to be the charm for the UNO volleyball team. UNO surpassed Minnesota State Moorhead 15-10, 13-15, 15-6, 15-9, Nov. 16 in the NCAA North Central Regional Tournament, but couldn't sustain a win over the South Dakota State Jackrabbits in their Nov. 17 confrontation. UNO fell to SDSU for the third time this season, 15-11, 12-15, 8-15, 15-5, 12-15, ending the Mavericks' 2000 campaign with a 28-4 record.

UNO vs. Moorhead

The Dragons' fire burned the Mavs in the second set, but sophomore Jewella Grennan brought the Maverick extinguisher, leading the team with 23 kills. Senior Tracy Ankeny rode Grennan's heels with 21 kills. Senior setter Bethany Tygert completed 61 set assists. UNO took the first round of play 3-1.

UNO vs. SDSU

Going into second-round competition, the regional No. 3 Mavericks had to contend with the No. 2 Jackrabbits. Tygert handed out 64 set assists. Ankeny led the way in kills (17) and digs (31). Junior Nikki Mastny finished with 20 kills and 26 digs.

Senior middle blocker Krista Niezwaag said the Mavs put up a good fight, but things didn't fall its way.

"We had the momentum in the match," Niezwaag said. "It was back

and forth. Things don't always go the way you want them to."

Niezwaag was pleased with this season's performance. UNO claimed a three-way share of the NCC title (with Augustana College and SDSU) at 15-3.

"We felt blessed, we got a conference ring," Niezwaag said.

UNO loses three seniors to graduation: Niezwaag, Ankeny and Tygert. Three freshman, Kylie Lebeda, Heather Van Ackeren and Amy Fauss, will return. All have held starting positions this season.

"They showed a lot of maturity and willingness to go with the flow," Niezwaag said. "They have great recruits; they will have a great team next year."

The three seniors will have one last hoorah with the Mavs, joining it in an August 10-day tour of Spain.

"It will be an amazing trip," Niezwaag said. "Not only will there be great competition, but it will be a great experience."

Ankeny finished her illustrious four years at UNO as No. 1 in career kills (1,961), No. 1 in attacks (4,522), and No. 2 in digs (1,691).

Niezwaag landed at the No. 6 position in block-assists (347). She tallied 989 kills and 818 digs during her career.

Tygert ended her career with 3,380 set assists, the No. 3 all-time UNO ranking.

The seniors led the Mavs to a four-year, 102-29 record.

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Carlsen's Crew Falls Twice in Regis Tournament

MELISSA KUCIREK

Senior Staff Writer

Head Coach Lisa Carlsen's women's basketball team is off to a 1-3 start, their latest defeat at the hands of Florida Southern College 71-58 in Saturday's 2000 Coors Roundball Classic consolation game.

Regis University, tournament host, beat UNO 82-69 to open the tourney Friday.

UNO vs. Florida Southern College

Juniors Jennifer Mitchell and Anne Bomstad mounted double-digit figures in the Mavs effort. Mitchell's 18-points and Bomstad's 13 were pitted against four Moccasin players in the double-digit zone.

Freshman center Katie Knapp went 2-2 at the line. Mitchell went to stripe the most for the Mavs, com-

pleting 4-5 free throws.

UNO vs. Regis University

Regis University forward Andi Pruitt paced the Ranger victory with 14 points. She was followed by Jenny Bahl (13) and Molly Marrin (12).

UNO's Mitchell put up a game-high 21 points and eight rebounds. Maverick senior Kari Kerkhoff contributed 14 points and five boards before fouling out.

The Mavericks only victory to date came on Nov. 18, when UNO posted a 78-64 win over Concordia St. Paul at the Northwest Missouri Classic. Volnek grabbed 19 points and nine rebounds in the win. Sophomore Andi Sutherland finished the game with 10 points and 11 rebounds.

UNO fell 61-74 to Southwest State on Nov. 17.

Up next for the Mavs is University of Nebraska-Kearney, Saturday. UNO hosts Omaha's College of Saint Mary in its first home game Dec. 6.



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standout Nikki Mastny who was named to the All-NCC Volleyball team and the AVCA Division II All-North Central Region Team, both for the second year. Mastny eclipsed the 1,000-kill mark during the season in helping the Mavericks to a share of the NCC title.

Props to UNO volleyball star Krista Niezwaag who was named to the District VII Verizon Academic All-American Second Team. Niezwaag posted a 3.80 GPA in Biology/Pre-med. Sophomore Jewelia Grennan was named to the Third Team with a 4.00 GPA, also in Biology/Pre-Med. UNO was the only school with three members on the Verizon team.

Head Coach Mike Kemp announces the signing of three hockey players to joint next year's Maverick squad. Anthony Adams (5-foot 10, 185 pounds) is a forward currently with the South Surrey Eagles of the British Columbia Hockey League. Also arriving will be Bryce Lampman (bother of current Mav Josh Lampman) and Gus Grosile, both currently playing for the Omaha Lancers.

Head Coach Melissa Odell announces the signing of two high school golfers to national letters of intent to play next year at UNO. Signing are Lindsey Herrera, state tournament medalist from Millard North and Amanda Houtz, state championship team member from Manhattan (Kan.) High School.

In the 2000-2001 NCC Men's Basketball Preseason Media Poll, the

UNO Mavericks are picked to finish eighth out of 10 teams. South Dakota and St. Cloud State are 1-2.

Head Coach Lisa Carlsen's UNO women's basketball team was also picked to finish eighth in NCC Preseason Coaches Poll. North Dakota State and North Dakota are 1-2.

Head Coach Rose Shires announces the signing of three high school volleyball seniors. Jenny Rankin (5-foot 10) is an outside hitter from North Platte High School. Andrea Wegner (5-foot 10) is a middle blocker out of Bancroft-Rosalie High School, Bancroft, Neb. Julia McConahay (5-foot 9) is another outside hitter coming from North Platte High School.

Props to UNO basketball player Tanya Hammes who was named Nebraska Division II Co-Player of the Week. Hammes averaged 22.5 points and 11 rebounds per game against Southwest State and Concordia-St Paul to open the Mav season. Two games — two double-doubles.

Props to UNO senior grappler Mack LaRock who was named NCC Wrestler of the Week. LaRock, ranked No. 5 in Division II, took the 125-pound title at the Kaufman/Brand Open.

Props to UNO wrestler Zach Stalder who took NCC Wrestler of the Week honors two weeks ago for his 174-pound championship at the Harold Nichols Open.

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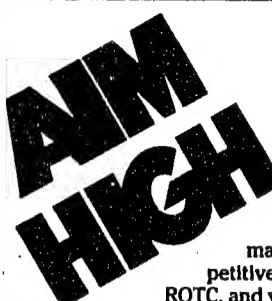


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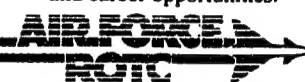
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Who Should Win The Heisman?

DAVID M. JOHNSON

Sports Editor

Theoretically, the Heisman Trophy goes to the best player in college football.

Historically, that has not been the case.

The Heisman has gone to: the best player on the No. 1 team, the pre-season media darling who didn't screw up during the season, the four-year player who accumulated impressive career stats, or the quarterback or running back whom the media thinks will make the most impact as a professional. Only occasionally does the award go to the "best" player in college football.

The best quarterback in the nation this year is not even in consideration. Bart Hendricks, Boise State (9-2), is the nation's passing efficiency leader. His 170.6 rating is 6.9 points ahead of Florida State's Chris Weinke's. He is the leading touchdown passer with 35, two more than Weinke, and has thrown only eight interceptions, three less than Weinke.

The best running back in the nation is under consideration for the trophy, but is not going to win

because he is from TCU (10-1), a school rarely seen on television. Ladainian Tomlinson finished his season with 2,158 rushing yards on 369 carries, including 22 scores. He is only the ninth player in NCAA history to go over 5,000 career yards. Time was, 2,000 yards got you on the front page of every newspaper and magazine in the country. But, not when you're from TCU.

This year's pre-season media darling was Purdue's Drew Brees. Everybody and his brother picked Brees to run away with the Heisman en route to a multi-kazillion dollar pro contract. But, the Boilermakers were a disappointing 8-3, and Brees managed just 24 TDs while giving up 12 INTs.

Miami's best player is a punt returner/wide receiver, Santana Moss. While he might win Most Catchy Name of the Year, Moss will probably not get the votes needed to carry home the Heisman. Flashy return man with four TD's, but is well under 1,000 yards receiving for the season.

Nope, this award is down to two men — Oklahoma's Josh Heupel and Florida State's Chris

Weinke.

Oklahoma is 11-0 going into the Big 12 championship game against Kansas State, a game K-State will win. Heupel had an awful game against cross-state rival OSU, finishing with just 154 yards passing. For the season, he is 256-389, 3,172 yards, 18 TDs, 11 INTs through the air and 59-135 yards, six TDs on the ground. Not much better than Brees.

The man who will win the Heisman Trophy 2000 is Chris Weinke. Florida State (11-1) will meet either Oklahoma or Miami in the BCS championship game. Detractors say Weinke should not win the award because he spent all those years in professional baseball and he is much older than his college counterparts.

Bull hockey.

Despite the fact I loathe FSU with all my heart and soul, how can you not give the Heisman to a guy whose passing stats look like this: 266-431, 4,167 yards, 33 TDs, 11 INTs?

Weinke wins.

FOOTBALL

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Mavs took advantage, stretching the lead to 14-0 only 6:39 into the game.

Shortly after that, the game began to unravel for the Mavs. UNO beat NDSU 6-3 on Oct. 21, and were expecting a similar defensive struggle Saturday. But the Maverick defense, which had carried the offense virtually the entire year, lost its grip.

Academic All-American junior linebacker Ryan Hoffman went out with a compound fracture of his wrist. Junior middle linebacker Abrian Stovall was disqualified from the game in the second quarter for swinging at a Bison player after the whistle had blown.

The Mav stalwarts gave up a season-high 214 yards on the ground and 401 yards of total offense.

"We did not tackle very well. We did not block very well," Behms said. "We started out fairly decent on offense, but you have to do that more consistently."

The Bison dominated the time of possession (34 minutes to 26 minutes) in the game.

NDSU junior tailback Lamar Gordon shined, putting up 142 yards and three touchdowns against a defense that was allowing a stingy 47.7 yards on the ground per game this year.

The usually steady Mav offense also lost its zip after tearing through the Bison defense early in the game. UNO lost four fumbles in the game, and was intercepted once. NDSU capitalized, putting 21 points on the board off Mav turnovers.

"We hadn't really put the ball on the ground

that much this year, but we put our defense in a bind by giving their offense good field position," Wright said. "Those turnovers hurt us."

The Bison scored 43 unanswered points to take command of the game and end the Maverick's season at 11-2.

Wright left the game in the second quarter, having aggravated a left knee injury, but showed a huge heart by returning in the second half. He finished the game with 74 yards on 12 carries. Wright completed his illustrious career with a school-record 3,926 yards rushing and 17, 100-yard games. He also set the single-season rushing mark in 2000 with 1,381 yards.

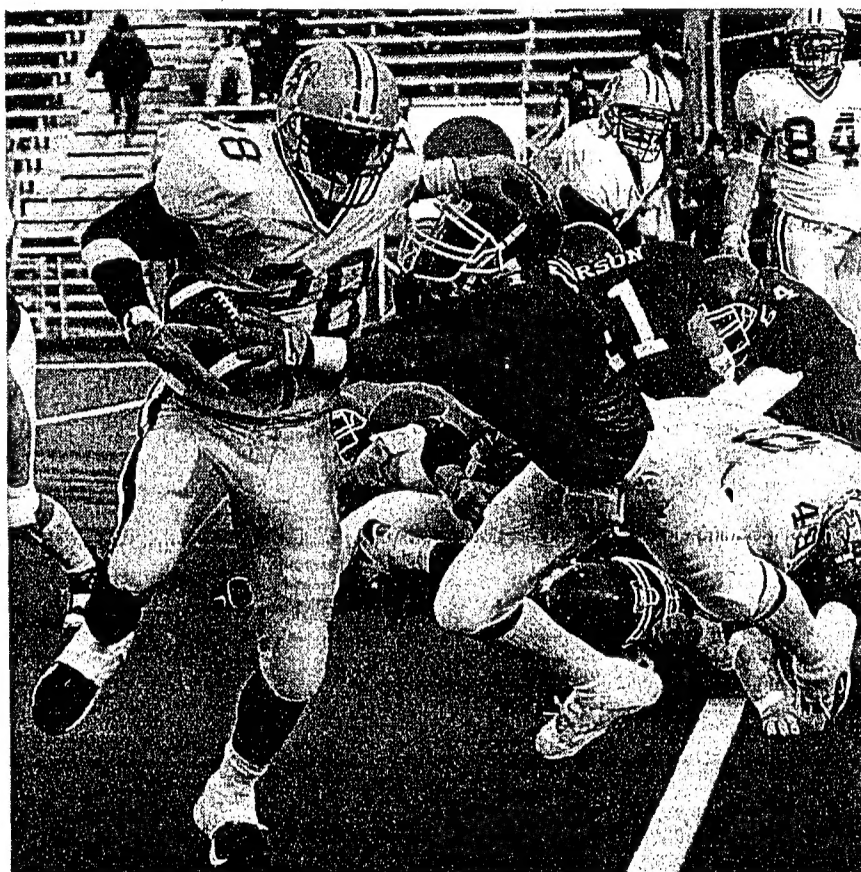
Nick Pearson stepped into Ryan Hoffman's linebacker spot and was the leading tackler with eight stops and the blocked kick.

All-NCC defensive end and co-captain Chris Cooper had six tackles including two for loss. He ends his Maverick career as the all-time sack leader and set the single-season mark for sacks in 2000 with 11.

"No one even thought we were going to get this far," Cooper said. "As we showed, we did it. The team's young, and I think UNO will be back next year."

The seniors bow out having led UNO to a four-year, 35-12 mark, including two NCC titles and three Division II playoff appearances.

The Mavs will not have a bare cupboard next year as they lose only seven senior starters. UNO opens the 2001 campaign with Northwest Missouri State visiting Al Caniglia Field in early September.



NDSU Running Back Lamar Gordon ran 142 yards against UNO's Demond Finster and the UNO defense.

CM Chris Machian

Scoring Summary

Team	1	2	3	4	Final
NDSU	6	20	17	0	43
UNO	14	0	0	7	21

- 1st 09:45 UNO - John Dustin 1 yd. run (Troy Severson kick)
 08:21 UNO - Seth Turman 18 yd. run (Severson kick)
 04:14 NDSU - Lamar Gordaon 22 yd. run (Aaron Pederson kick failed)
- 2nd 08:12 NDSU - Gordon 6 yd. run (Graig Gorder pass failed)
 05:40 NDSU - Craig Tangen 5 yd. pass from Gorder (Eric Nelson pass)
 01:57 NDSU - DeShawn Perkins 4 yd. run (Gorder kick failed)
- 3rd 09:52 NDSU - Pederson 27 yd. field goal
 07:15 NDSU - E.Nelson 33 yd. pass from Graig Gorder (Pederson kick)
 00:45 NDSU - Gordon 1 yd. run (Pederson kick)
- 4th 13:19 UNO - Thadd Recek 5 yd. pass from Trey Guidry (Severson kick)



Lawrence Butler intercepts a pass from Pittsburg State's quarterback.

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Kaufman-Brand Open Crowns Two Maverick Champs

MELISSA KUCIREK
Senior Staff Writer

In the nation's largest wrestling meet, Maverick wrestlers faced NCAA Division I powerhouses and Division II foes when it hosted the Kaufman-Brand Open Nov. 20.

The field of competition, with about 500-550 wrestlers, included Division I No. 1 University of Iowa, No. 2 Iowa State, and No. 3 University of Minnesota. UNO, pre-season Division II No. 1, had several individuals gain wins over both divisional pairings.

Among the 32 teams entered, the divisions were split into 20-and-under

and open divisions.

Senior Mack LaRock controlled the 125-pound open division. He succeeded in a 5-4 battle over Division I Oregon State's Nathan Navarro, extending LaRock's record to 3-0.

Senior Ricky Frausto finished the meet 2-2 in the 133-pound category.

Alan Cartwright, a senior out of River Forest, Ill., placed third at 157-pounds with a 6-1 record.

Senior Scott Antoniak (184) and sophomore John Mitchell (157) both finished fourth. Sophomore Zach Stalder (174) was sixth.

Les Sigman took championship honors in the 20-and-under division. The freshman was also named the tournament's outstanding wrestler in

his division. Sigman (197) received the crown after beating Iowa's Trey Clark 5-4 in the finals.

Nearly joining LaRock and Sigman on the top podium, was UNO freshman Kasey Kohl (141). The four-time state champion from Omaha Skutt lost to Iowa's Ryan Heim in the 20-and-under division.

Heim took the win after Kohl couldn't break a 30-second tie-breaker.

Kohl reached the finals having beaten Nebraska freshman Dusty Spaulding.

Head Coach Mike Denney's Mavericks return to action Dec. 2 at the Northern Iowa Open in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Behrns Named Coach Of the Year Defense Highlight All-NCC Football Team

CORY CARLSON

Staff Writer

Head Football Coach Pat Behrns was named North Central Conference football Coach of the Year by the league's coaches. Behrns guided UNO to a perfect 9-0 NCC mark and the conference championship.

Senior running back Adam Wright was named the the All-NCC first team, the only UNO offensive player to gain the honor.

The Mavs also placed five defenders on the first team, the most of any school. In addition to being named first team All-NCC, senior co-captain Chris Cooper was named Most Valuable Defensive Lineman.

Junior inside linebacker Abrian Stovall achieved the honor for the first time. Stovall had a career year, posting 66 tackles, including eight sacks and six pass break ups.

Three out of the five defensive backs on the all-conference team were Mavericks.

Senior Demond Finister registered 27 tackles (17 unassisted) in 2000 with four interceptions and twelve pass break-ups.

Junior Tyree Kellogg also shined with 34 tackles, including

26 unassisted. Kellogg tied for the team lead with four interceptions.

Senior Chad Geiger was named Most Valuable Defensive Back. Geiger was second on the team with 72 stops, including eight for losses and two sacks.

Offensive guard Conor Riley was named to the second team offense and was the only sophomore on that team.

Second-team defenders included senior Richard McCleskey, junior Buck Rasmussen and junior Ryan Hoffman.

Sophomore Lucas Brigman, sophomore place kicker Troy Severson, and junior punter Kevin Ruch achieved honorable mention.

Swimmers Sweep Dual, Invite at SDSU

BRIAN BRASHAW

Staff Writer

The UNO women's swimming and diving team traveled to South Dakota State University over the holiday to take on the Jackrabbits in a North Central Conference dual and also to battle in the SDSU-hosted Jackrabbit Invite.

The Mavericks won the dual in commanding fashion, 155-67 over SDSU. The next day, UNO took first in the multi-team invite, racking up 738 points to their closest competitor, University of Nebraska-Keamey's 430.

In the dual against SDSU, UNO won 8 of the 13 events. The team was paced by junior Jamie Haferbier's wins in the 1,650 freestyle and the 500 freestyle.

Trina Larson picked up a UNO victory in the 50 freestyle with a time of 25.48 seconds. Aimee

LaFave added another win for the Mavs with her victory in the 200 butterfly.

In the diving competition, UNO's Aja Wurth won both the 1-meter and 3-meter events.

The Mavericks returned the next day to dominate the seven-team Jackrabbit Invite. UNO won 10 of 13 events while posting a score 308 points higher than second place UNK.

Haferbier captured three events by herself (1,000-yard freestyle, 200 backstroke, and 100 butterfly) to give UNO momentum.

Wurth set a school record with her 247.20-point performance in the 3-meter diving competition. Wurth also again captured the 1-meter prize to give her a clean sweep of the diving events for the weekend.

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11:30 am Quest
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2 pm School of Social Work
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11:30 am Kwanzaa Luncheon
12 noon Lambda Theta Nu
12 noon Interfraternity Council
12 noon A.P.C.
12 noon Sociology Dept.
1 pm Zeta Phi Beta
2 pm Judicial Board
5 pm Campus Ministry International
5 pm Friends of Japan
6 pm Beta Alpha Psi
7:30 pm Sigma Lambda Beta

2 pm Sigma Kappa
3 pm Zeta Tau Alpha
3 pm Delta Sigma Theta
3 pm Alpha Kappa Alpha
4 pm Chancellor's Reception
5 pm Kappa Alpha Psi
6 pm Lambda Chi Alpha
6 pm Phi Delta Theta
6 pm Lambda Chi Alpha
6 pm Golden Key
6:30 pm Theta Chi
6:45 pm Gala Reception

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